

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
U.S. Appln. No. 09/989,662
Attorney Docket No.: Q67377

REMARKS

After entry of the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on August 26, 2005, claims 1-20 are all the claims pending in the application (*see* Advisory Action dated September 7, 2005). The Advisory Action indicates that claims 2-10 and 12-16 contain allowable subject matter and claims 1, 6, 11, and 16-20 stand finally rejected.

In view thereof, by this Amendment, Applicant places the Application in condition for allowance.

Specifically, Applicant rewrites claims 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13, and 15 into their respective independent forms, thereby placing them in condition for immediate allowance. Claims 4, 9, and 14 depend on allowable independent claims and should now be allowed.

By this Amendment, Applicant cancels the rejected claims 1, 6, 11, and 20 and changes the dependency of claims 16 and 17 to depend on claim 2, claim 18 to depend on claim 7, and claim 19 to depend on claim 12.

Accordingly, the Application is placed in immediate condition for allowance.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. **If any points remain in issue, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.**

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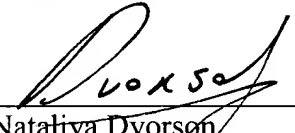
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